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**VIA CPA Web Portal**

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**Re: Public Records Act Request Dated July 17, 2019 – REF: W001853-071719**

Dear Mr. Sinyangwe,

This is a follow up response to your California Public Records Act Requested dated July 17, 2019, in which you request certain records maintained by the City of Palo Alto relating to use of force statistics pursuant to the California Public Records Act, Cal. Gov't Code §§ 6250 et seq.

**Records Request:**

- "1. The total number of police uses of force in 2018, broken down by type of force used (i.e. number of uses of tasers, number of uses of baton, etc.)*
- 2. The total number of use of force complaints reported by civilians in 2018*
- 3. The total number of use of force complaints reported by civilians that were sustained in 2018*
- 4. All arrests data reported to the California Department of Justice via the Monthly Arrests and Citation Register program covering arrests made in 2017 and 2018, including (but not limited to) the age, race/ethnicity, gender, offense category (felony, misdemeanor, status offense), charge and disposition of arrestees."*

**Response to Request:**

The 2018 statistical responsive documents are attached listing the use of force investigations that were internally initiated per policy listing in requests 1-2 above. Please note, we do not produce a document that parses out use of force by type other than Taser. The spreadsheet attached for 2018 captures the total number of use of force investigations conducted, as well as the Taser spreadsheet for 2019 that captures total number of Taser activations. The Department had one use of force related citizen complain in 2018, which the redacted citizen complaint spreadsheet is attached.

There are no responsive documents for #3 above.

The Department reports our MACR statistics to the California Department of Justice electronically via the DOJ's portal. Here is a link to the California DOJ's Open Justice Data Site: <https://openjustice.doj.ca.gov/data> (#4)

Thank you,

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